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Senator Wagner and Assemblyman Alfred E. Smith Will Push Amendment to Assure Conviction of Sellers.

DRUGGISTS GIVE SUPPORT

National Pharmaceutical Assn. Sends Strong Indorsement of Tribune's Fight-Waldo Begins to Show Feeble Interest in Traffic.

The disclosures of the startling case with which cocaine is being purchased on the streets of Manhattan, as shown by The Tribune's investigation, will result in an amendment to the penal law governing the handling of the drug at the coming session of the Legislature.

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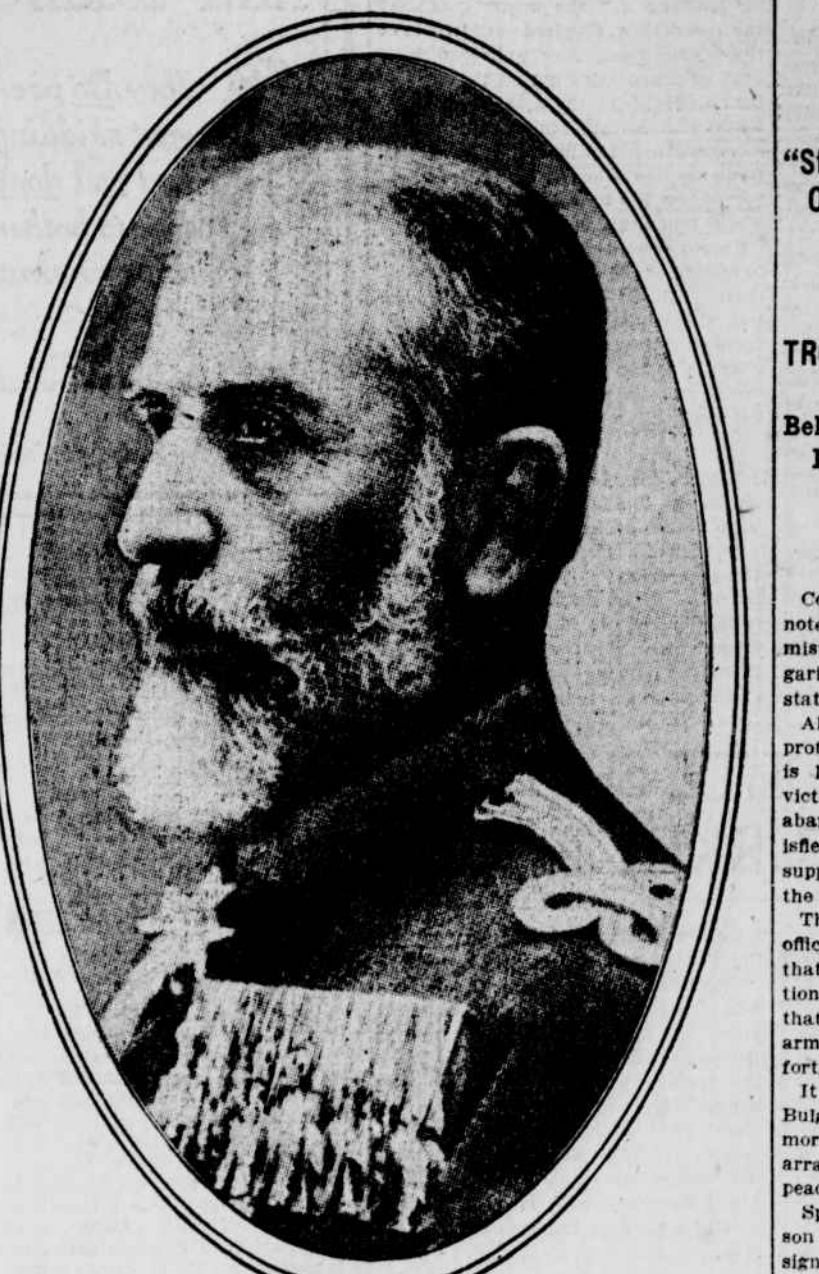
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KING CHARLES OF RUMANIA. Sovereign who is likely to be drawn into Austro-Servian imbroglio.

"State of War Continues," Says Official Note by Turkey, Referring to Her Southern Neighbor.

TROOPS HOLD POSITIONS

Beleaguered Towns Will Not Be Revictualled, Thus Depriving Athens of Her Strongest Reason for Holding Out.

Constantinople, Dec. 4.—An official note issued this evening says: "An armistice has been concluded with Bulgaria, Serbia and Montenegro. The state of war with Greece continues."

Although the complete terms of the protocol have not been made public, it is learned that the question of revictualling the beleaguered towns was abandoned, the government being satisfied that the towns were sufficiently supplied with foodstuffs to last until the conclusion of peace.

The only condition mentioned in the official communication to the press is that the troops will remain in the positions now occupied. It is understood that no limit has been placed on the armistice, which may be terminated by forty-eight hours' notice by either side.

It is reported that the Turkish and Bulgarian delegates will meet again tomorrow at Bagtche for the purpose of arranging the preliminaries for the peace conference.

Speculation is rife as to the real reason for the failure of Greece to be a signatory to the armistice. It is generally felt that the mere rejection of the special Greek demands did not constitute a sufficient reason for Greece's independent attitude.

It is hoped that the peace negotiations will be concluded in London in about eight days. Thus, with the conclusion of peace, Turkey will be free to devote all her energies against Greece.

(By Cable to The Tribune.) London, Dec. 5.—Simultaneously with the news of the armistice comes the report from Constantinople that the Greeks have handed troops in Thrace and that an attack has been made on the Gallipoli forts.

The report may be merely based on what for some time has been anticipation, but if the report is true the event is curiously well timed, since the terms agreed to, as they are now stated from Sofia, are very different from those reported from Constantinople, to which Greece took exception.

It seems probable now, however, that the whole of the five nations will sign the armistice after all, especially as, according to one source, the Greek signature has not actually been refused, but only withheld for twenty-four hours. The Athens papers, however, are bellicose in tone and talk of Greece carrying on the war singlehanded.

At first sight it would appear that the armistice conditions are very much to Turkey's detriment. Bulgaria obtains facilities to feed her troops, but no opportunities are afforded for revictualling the beleaguered fortresses. It must be remembered, however, that (1) there are evidently other conditions of which we have yet no information; that (2) as it was Turkey who sued for armistice it was only natural that the other side should insist on the price being paid, and that (3) Turkey alone knows how long her besieged garrisons can hold out.

The last consideration is important. If the fall of the fortresses within a brief period owing to lack of supplies were certain, Turkey might as well have agreed to the demand for capitulation at once.

Why London Was Selected.

London is being decided upon as the place where the actual peace negotiations are to begin. It is difficult to see why the place and the time mentioned should be selected, unless the parties have some reason for believing that side by side with the negotiations there may also be going on a conference of the great powers.

It will be noticed that Premier Asquith in the House of Commons yesterday said he preferred not to make a statement in reference to the suggested ambassadors' conference in London, and the natural inference seems to be that a formal proposal for this conference has now been made and the official acceptance not yet received.

It may be taken for granted that the proposal would not have been made unless favorable replies were assured, and thus we arrive at the probability that by the end of next week not only the five nations will be embarked on their epoch-making negotiations in London, but that representatives of the great powers will be engaged in the same work at the same place.

It is reported that Austria now has 300,000 troops within striking distance of the Serbian frontier, and many vessels are assembled in readiness to transport the troops across the rivers Save and Danube.

With respect to the dispute between the allies, it appears that the Greek government addressed last Saturday a dignified and touching appeal to the governments of the allies, beseeching them to take no action calculated to weaken or endanger the league. At the same time Greece offered all her naval